Grand Royal Arch Chapter

1850.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Tuesday, 10th September, A. D. 1850, R. A. M. 2380.

PRESENT:

M.E. and Rev. BENJ. HUNTOON,	Grand High Priest.
E. LUCIEN B. KEITH, . .	Grand King.
" ROBERT LASH, . .	Grand Scribe, *pro tem.*
" JOHN HEWS, . . .	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN, .	Grand Secretary.
" STEPHEN LOVELL, } " CHARLES BATES, }	Grand Lecturers.
Rev. LUCIUS R. PAIGE, . .	Grand Chaplain.
Comp. WILLIAM EATON, . .	Grand Marshal, *pro tem.*
" GEO. P. KETTELLE, .	Grand Steward.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN, . .	Grand Tyler.

Permanent Members.

JOHN B. HAMMATT, THOMAS TOLMAN,
ROBERT KEITH, PAUL DEAN,
JOHN R. BRADFORD.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form at 9 o'clock, A. M., and adjourned to 7 o'clock in the evening.

Met agreeably to adjournment, when the records of the last meeting were read.

The following report of the Committee of Finance was read and accepted, viz:

GRAND CHAPTER, Boston, Sept. 10, 1850.

The Committee of Finance of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, in obedience to the By-Laws, have examined the accounts of the Grand Treasurer, which they find correctly kept and properly vouched.

The Grand Treasurer had on hand at the settlement of his accounts the last year, a balance of . .	$115 94
And received from various Chapters under the jurisdiction, the sum of	114 00
And for diplomas, ...	3 50
Making in all	$233 44
The Grand Treasurer has paid during the past year, in bills and donations to the Board of Relief, and sundry other expenses, the sum of	216 15
Leaving a balance in his hands of	17 29
	$233 44

The Committee recommend that there be paid to the Grand Secretary the sum of fifteen dollars for his services the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT KEITH, *Committee of Finance.*

Voted to proceed to the choice of officers for the year ensuing. M.E. Comp. Hammatt was called to the chair, and Comps. Kettelle, Bates, and Emerson, were appointed a Committee to collect, sort and declare the votes, when

he following companions were unanimously elected to the several offices set against their names, viz:

M.E. and Rev. Benj. Huntoon, Grand High Priest.
M.E. Stephen Lovell, . . Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. Samuel Millard, . . Grand King, in place of E. Lucien B. Keith, who declined a re-election.
" Henry Earl, . . . Grand Scribe.
" Robert Keith, . . Grand Treasurer, in place of Comp. John Hews, who declined a re-election.
" Thomas Waterman, . Grand Secretary.

M.E. Comps. Lovell, Earl, and Blood, were appointed a Committee to wait upon the M.E. Grand High Priest elect, and introduce him to the Grand Chapter. The Committee having performed the duty assigned them, M.E. Comp. Huntoon was introduced accordingly.

Voted to proceed to the installation of the officers this evening, when the M.E. and Rev. Benjamin Huntoon, was duly installed as Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, for the year ensuing, by M.E. John B. Hammatt, Past Grand High Priest.

The Grand High Priest then installed the following Grand Officers, viz:

M.E. Stephen Lovell, . . . Dep. G. High Priest.
E. Henry Earl, ... Grand Scribe.
" Robert Keith, ... Grand Treasurer.
" Thomas Waterman, . . . Grand Secretary.

The following appointments were announced from the chair, and approved by the Grand Chapter, and the several officers duly installed, viz:

Comp. Amos Bates, . . . Grand Captain of Host.
" Charles B. Rogers, . Grand Principal Sojourner,

Comp. George P. Kettelle, . Grand R. A. Captain.
" Jonathan Emerson, . Grand Master of 3d Vail.
" John McClellan, . . Grand Master of 2d Vail.
" William R. Davis, . Grand Master of 1st Vail.
" John K. Hall, } . Grand Stewards.
" George Moulton, }
" Stephen Lovell, } . Grand Lecturers.
" Charles Bates, }
Rev. O. H. Tillotson, } Grand Chaplains.
" Thomas R. Lambert, }
Comp. Edw'd A. Raymond, }
" John B. Hammatt, } Committee of Finance.
" John R. Bradford, }
Josiah Baldwin, . . Grand Tyler.

Voted, That the Grand Secretary call upon all the delinquent Chapters under this jurisdiction and request payment of their dues.

M.E. Comps. Hammatt and Kettelle, were appointed a Committee to wait upon Comp. John Hews, past Grand Treasurer, receive the balance of funds in his hands, together with the books and papers belonging to this Grand Chapter, and place the same in the hands of Comp. Robert Keith, the new elected Grand Treasurer.

Voted, unanimously, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be presented to E. Comp. Lucien B. Keith, for his very acceptable services as Grand King of the Grand Chapter the past year.

Voted, unanimously, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be presented to E. Comp. John Hews, for his valuable services as Grand Treasurer the past six years.

Voted, That the Grand Chapter be now called from labor to refreshment, to be convened whenever the Grand High Priest shall direct.

Sept. 16. The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor, when the M.E. Grand High Priest installed E. Samuel Millard, as Grand King for the year ensuing.

Proclamation was then made in the usual form, that the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was duly organized, and then closed, without ceremony, by order of the Grand High Priest.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

[CIRCULAR TO DELINQUENT CHAPTERS.]

BOSTON, 16th October, 1850.

Dear Sir,—At a meeting of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, on the 10th of September last, it was *Voted*, That the Grand Secretary should call upon all the delinquent Chapters under the jurisdiction, and request them to forward their returns and pay their dues to this Grand Chapter.

You are hereby requested to forward the return and the amount due from your Chapter, at your earliest convenience, to me at the Trader's Bank, or to Robert Keith, Esq., at the Boston Custom House.

By order of the Grand Chapter.

THOMAS WATERMAN, *Grand Secretary.*

Copies of the foregoing notice were sent by mail to John D. Pratt of Thomas Chapter, Fitchburg; Stephen C. Bemis of Morning Star Chapter, Springfield; Oliver Swain of Adoniram Chapter, New Bedford; Joel Talbot of Mount Zion Chapter, Stoughton; Jotham Gale of Sutton Chapter, Sutton.

The following return was made to the M.E. General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States.

The Annual Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held in Boston, on Tuesday, the 10th day of September, A. D. 1850, when the following officers were duly elected and installed, viz:

M.E. and Rev. BENJ. HUNTOON,	Grand High Priest.
M.E. and Rev. STEPHEN LOVELL,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. SAMUEL MILLARD, . .	Grand King.
" HENRY EARL, . . .	Grand Scribe.
" ROBERT KEITH, . .	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN, .	Grand Secretary.

List of Subordinate Chapters under the jurisdiction.

ST. ANDREW'S, ...	Boston.
ADONIRAM, ...	New Bedford.
MORNING STAR, ...	Springfield.
ST. PAUL'S, ...	Boston.
MOUNT ZION, ...	Stoughton.
WORCESTER, ...	Worcester.
MOUNT HOREB, ...	Lowell.
SUTTON, ...	Sutton.
THOMAS, ...	Fitchburg.
NORTHAMPTON, ...	Northampton.
KING CYRUS, ...	Newburyport.

GRAND R. A. CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS,
BOSTON, 17th October, 1850.

To BENJ. B. FRENCH, Esq., *General Grand Sec'y of the General Grand R. A. Chapter of the United States, Washington, D. C.*

Dear Sir,—In conformity with the requirements of the General Grand Royal Arch Constitution, I herewith transmit a list of the officers of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, elected on the 10th of September last, together with a list of the Chapters under this jurisdiction.

I have the honor to remain,
Respectfully and fraternally your ob't servant,

THOMAS WATERMAN, *Grand Secretary.*

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, 10th December, A. D. 1850, R. A. M. 2380.

PRESENT:

M.E. and Rev. BENJ. HUNTOON,	Grand High Priest.
M.E. and Rev. STEPHEN LOVELL,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. SAMUEL MILLARD, . .	Grand King.
" HENRY EARL, . . .	Grand Scribe.
" ROBERT KEITH, . .	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN, .	Grand Secretary.
Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT, " O. H. TILLOTSON,	Grand Chaplains.
Comp. AMOS BATES, . . .	Grand Captain of Host.
" SAMUEL W. GLEASON, .	Gr. Prin. Sojourner, *p. t.*
" WM. R. DAVIS, . .	Grand R. A. Captain, *p. t.*
" JONATHAN EMERSON, .	Grand Master 3d Vail.
" JOHN MCCLELLAN, .	Grand Master 2d Vail.
" ALONZO ANDREWS, .	Grand Master 1st Vail, *p. t.*
" EDW'D A. RAYMOND, " JOHN B. HAMMATT, " JOHN R. BRADFORD,	Committee of Finance.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN, . .	Grand Tyler.

Permanent Members.

M.E. PAUL DEAN, M.E. C. W. MOORE.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, Saint Paul's, Mount Horeb, and Mount Zion.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was opened in due form, and the records of the last meeting read.

The M.E. Grand High Priest, in a feeling and impressive manner, announced the decease of M.E. Augustus Peabody, Esq., Past Deputy Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter.

On motion of M.E. Comp. Dean, it was *Voted*, That a Committee be raised, to report such resolutions relative to the decease of Comp. Peabody, as may be deemed expedient and necessary on the occasion. The chair appointed M.E. Comps. Dean, Moore, and Hammatt, to constitute such Committee; which Committee subsequently reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were read and unanimously adopted, viz:

Whereas, It has pleased Divine Providence, since our last communication, to remove from our midst, to a higher, purer and happier sphere, our M.E. and beloved Comp. Augustus Peabody, Past Deputy Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter, therefore,

Resolved, That this Grand Chapter hold in grateful remembrance, the eminent services and distinguished ability of their late companion, as an honored and cherished member of the Masonic brotherhood.

Resolved, That this Grand Chapter tender to the bereaved family of our late companion, their sympathies and condolence, invoking for them the richest consolations of heaven, in this their hour of deep affliction.

Voted, That the Grand Secretary transmit to the family of Comp. Peabody, a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions.

Voted, That the sum of *seventy dollars* be appropriated from the funds of this Grand Chapter, as our proportion of the expense attending the meeting of the General Grand R. A. Chapter, in this city, in September last, and that the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

It was also *Voted*, That the sum of *twenty dollars* be

paid to the Boston Masonic Board of Relief, to be expended in charity.

The following preamble and resolutions, were offered by M.E. Stephen Lovell, and unanimously adopted, viz:

Whereas, The *Wisdom*, *Strength* and *Beauty* of the Masonic institution depends in no small degree, upon *exact* uniformity in the mode of work and phraseology of the lectures, in the different grades of Masonry; and inasmuch as the General Grand Chapter, deeply impressed with this fact, spent a considerable portion of its late session, in this city, in efforts, both by labors of a large and able Committee, selected from all parts of the Union, and in open session, to effect such uniformity; which resulted in a unanimous agreement on what the work and lectures for Royal Arch Masonry should be, therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That this Grand Chapter is solemnly bound to adopt the *work* and *lectures*, thus sanctioned by the General Grand Body.

Resolved, 2d. That this Grand Chapter should instruct the several Chapters under its jurisdiction, to cause their mode of work and lectures, to conform to what was agreed on by the General Grand Chapter.

Resolved, 3d, That the Secretary of this Grand Chapter, cause a copy of these resolves to be sent to each of the Chapters in this Commonwealth.

The lecture on the Mark degree was given, and the Grand Chapter closed in due form.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, in Boston, on Tuesday evening, 11th March, A. D. 1851, R. A. M. 2381.

PRESENT:

M.E. BENJAMIN HUNTOON,	Grand High Priest.
M.E. STEPHEN LOVELL,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. COLBURN BLOOD,	Grand King, *pro tem.*
" HENRY EARL,	Grand Scribe.
" ROBERT KEITH,	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN,	Grand Secretary.
Rev. THOMAS R. LAMBERT,	Grand Chaplain.
Comp. AMOS BATES,	Grand Captain of the Host.
" HENRY F. THOMAS,	Gr. Prin. Sojourner, *p. t.*
" LEVI BATES,	Gr. R. A. Captain, *pro tem.*
" ELISHA THAYER,	Gr. Master 3d Vail, *p. t.*
" JOHN MCCLELLAN,	Grand Master 2d Vail.
" WILLIAM R. DAVIS,	Grand Master of 1st Vail.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN,	Grand Tyler.

Permanent Members.

E. A. RAYMOND, THOMAS TOLMAN.

The following Chapters were represented, viz: —St. Andrew's, Mount Horeb, Adoniram, Mount Zion, and Worcester.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter was opened in due form, and the records of the last meeting read.

An invitation to unite with Essex Lodge, Salem, in the celebration of the Festival of St. John the Baptist, on the 24th of June next, was read and accepted, and it was *Voted*, That the Grand Chapter would attend the same with its appropriate regalia.

M.E. Comps. Stephen Lovell, and Robert Keith, were appointed a Committee to examine the regalia of the Grand Chapter, and cause such repairs to be made as they may find necessary.

Voted, That the same Committee have full power to dispose of such parts of the regalia as they may deem expedient and proper.

The lecture on the Mark degree was given, and the Grand Chapter closed in due form.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.

STATED MEETING.

A Stated Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was held at the Masonic Temple, Boston, on Tuesday evening, the 10th of June, A. D. 1851, R. A. M. 2381.

PRESENT:

M.E. BENJAMIN HUNTOON,	Grand High Priest.
E. SAMUEL MILLARD,	Grand King.
" HENRY EARL,	Grand Scribe.
" ROBERT KEITH,	Grand Treasurer.
" THOMAS WATERMAN,	Grand Secretary.
Rev. O. H. TILLOTSON,	Grand Chaplain.
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" GEORGE MOULTON,	Gr. Prin. Sojourner, *p. t.*
" LUCIEN B. KEITH,	Gr. R. A. Captain, *pro tem.*
" WILLIAM R. DAVIS,	Grand Master 3d Vail.
" JOHN MCCLELLAN,	Grand Master 2d Vail.
" HOLLIS BALL,	Grand Master 1st Vail. *p. t.*
" JOSIAH BALDWIN,	Grand Tyler.

Permanent Members.

M.E. JOHN ABBOTT.	Past Grand High Priest.
M.E. E. A. RAYMOND,	Past Grand High Priest.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, St. Paul's, Worcester, and Sutton.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, was opened in ample form, and the records of the last meeting read.

Comp. Keith, in behalf of the Committee appointed at the last meeting to examine and repair the regalia, reported progress, and were granted further time.

The lecture on the Mark degree was given, and the Grand Chapter closed in ample form.

Attest,

THOMAS WATERMAN,
Grand Secretary.